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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: )

CECH, THOMAS R. et al. )

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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME UNDER  
37 CFR §1.136(a)

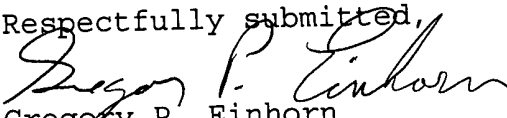
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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice of File Missing Parts, dated March 9, 1998, for three months, from May 9, 1998 to August 9, 1998. An appropriate response to the Notice in the form of a Response to Notice of Missing Parts is enclosed herewith.

Please charge \$950.00, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17, to the Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above Deposit Account. This Petition is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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